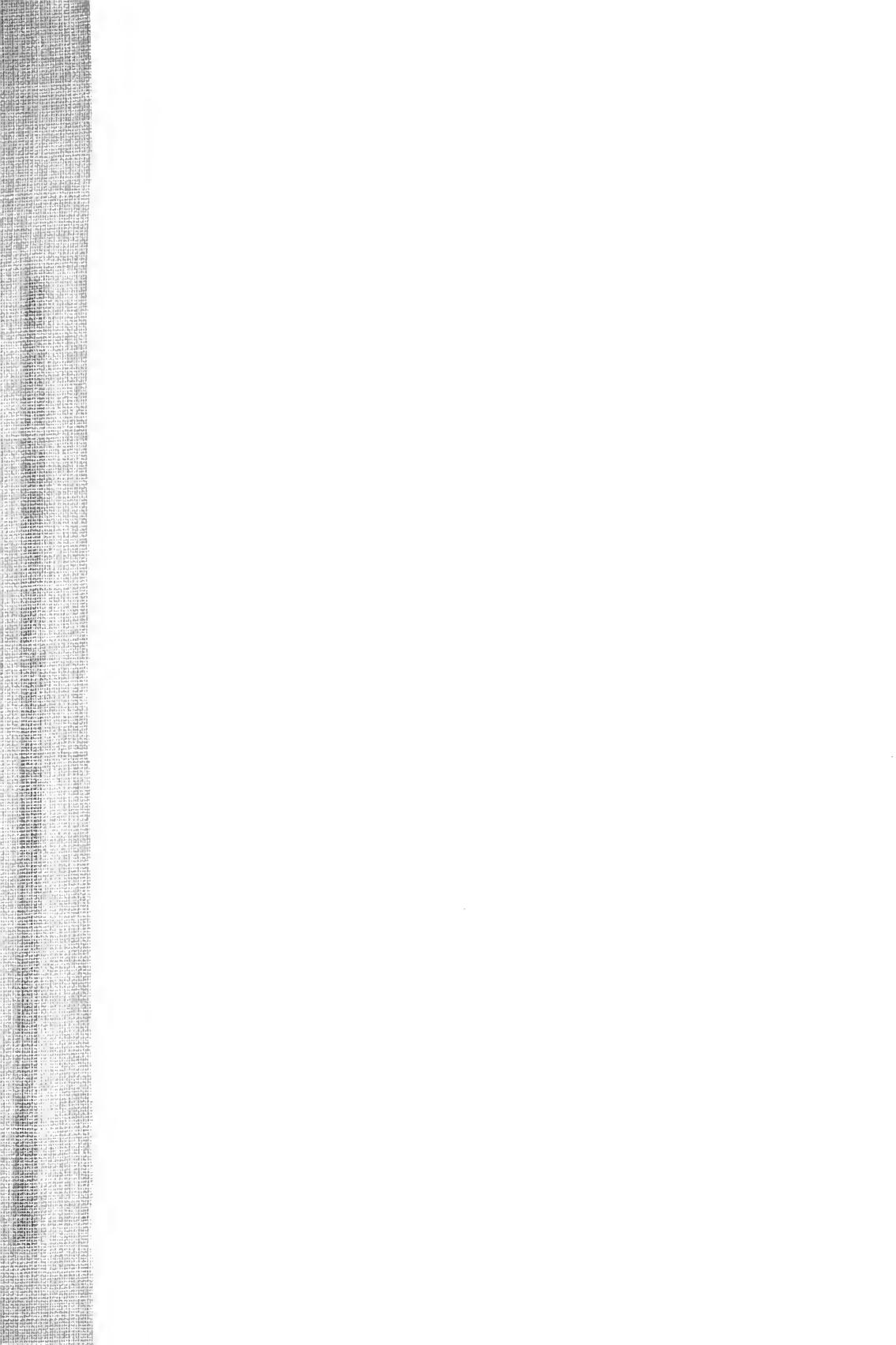


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by

THE EDWARD F. DUNNE PORTRAIT ASSOCIATION

to the

CIRCUIT COURT OF
COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS

*Proceedings had on the Thirteenth
Day of October, One Thousand
Nine Hundred and Thirty-Four*

AT A REGULAR TERM
of the Circuit Court of Cook County, Illinois, held
in the Court Room of Honorable Joseph Burke,
Chief Justice of said Court, in the County Building,
in the City of Chicago, on the thirteenth day of
October, 1934, of the September term, in the year of
our Lord one thousand nine hundred and thirty-
four and of our Independence the one hundred and
fifty-ninth.

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On Saturday, October 13, 1934, the Court met pursuant to adjournment in the court room of Honorable Joseph Burke, Chief Justice of the Circuit Court of Cook County in the County Building, in the City of Chicago, and was opened by proclamation of crier.

Present:

HON. JOSEPH BURKE, *Chief Justice of the Circuit Court, Presiding.*

*The Court
and those
present
with the
Court*

There were also present, among others, the following:

Hon. Edward F. Dunne;

Hon. Charles S. Deneen;

Hon. Samuel Alschuler, *Judge of the United States Circuit Court of Appeals;*

Hon. John J. Sullivan, *Judge of the Illinois Appellate Court;*

Hon. John M. O'Connor, *Judge of the Illinois Appellate Court;*

Hon. Ross C. Hall, *Judge of the Illinois Appellate Court;*

Hon. William H. Sexton, *Corporation Counsel, City of Chicago;*

Hon. Joseph B. David, *Judge of the Superior Court of Cook County;*

Hon. Oscar F. Nelson, *Alderman, Forty-Sixth Ward,
City of Chicago;*
Hon. William V. Brothers, *Judge of the Circuit Court
of Cook County;*
Hon. Michael Feinberg, *Judge of the Circuit Court of
Cook County;*
Hon. Dennis J. Normoyle, *Judge of the Circuit Court
of Cook County;*
Hon. Frank H. Bicek, *Judge of the Circuit Court of
Cook County;*
Hon. Cornelius J. Harrington, *Judge of the Circuit
Court of Cook County;*
Hon. Michael L. McKinley, *Judge of the Superior
Court of Cook County;*
Hon. Peter H. Schwaba, *Judge of the Superior Court
of Cook County;*
Hon. Edmund K. Jarecki, *Judge of the County Court
of Cook County;*
Hon. John F. O'Connell, *Judge of the Probate Court
of Cook County;*
Hon. John D. Black, *former President of the Chicago
Bar Association;*
Hon. Roy O. West, *former Secretary of the Interior
of the United States;*
Hon. John J. Sonsteby, *Chief Justice of the Municipal
Court of Chicago;*
Hon. Jay A. Schiller, *Judge of the Municipal Court
of Chicago;*
Hon. Michael G. Kasper, *Judge of the Municipal
Court of Chicago;*
Hon. Robert M. Sweitzer, *County Clerk of Cook
County;*
Hon. Samuel A. Ettelson, *former Corporation Counsel,
City of Chicago;*
Hon. James M. Breen, *former First Assistant
Corporation Counsel, City of Chicago;*
Hon. James J. McDermott, *Alderman, Fourteenth
Ward, City of Chicago.*

Proceedings upon the presentation of a portrait of Honorable Edward F. Dunne, former Mayor of the City of Chicago and former Governor of the State of Illinois, for thirteen years Judge of the Circuit Court of Cook County, Illinois, now the Commissioner of the United States to A Century of Progress, by the Edward F. Dunne Portrait Association composed of the following members of the Bar:

Edward F.
Dunne
Portrait
Association

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Ulysses S. Schwartz
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Milton D. Smith
Albert Watson

Edmund Burke

THE CLERK:

“Motions”

“Petition of the Edward F. Dunne Portrait Association,
William L. Sullivan, Secretary.”

THE COURT:

Mr. Sullivan

MR. SULLIVAN:

May it please the Court:

This is a petition on behalf of the Edward F. Dunne Portrait Association for leave to present to the Court a portrait of one of its former Judges, the Honorable Edward F. Dunne. It is the desire of the association that your Honor preside during the ceremonies that are to follow. The association also prays that your Honor enter an order directing that today's proceedings be spread upon the permanent records of the Court. The association has selected as its spokesman its President, the Honorable William H. Sexton, and it now asks your Honor to call upon Mr. Sexton.

THE COURT:

It will please me greatly to comply with the request, and it is now my distinguished pleasure and honor to call upon the President of the Edward F. Dunne Portrait Association, who is a former President of the Chicago Bar Association and is at present the Corporation Counsel of the City of Chicago, Honorable William H. Sexton.

HONORABLE WILLIAM H. SEXTON:

Mr. Chief Justice, Governor Dunne, distinguished guests, ladies and gentlemen:

Some two months ago when the Edward F. Dunne Portrait Association was formed, I regarded it as a signal honor to become its President. The association consists of fifty-two members of the Bar who are personal friends and admirers of Edward F. Dunne. The purpose of the association was to present to the Circuit Court of Cook County a portrait of Edward F. Dunne. The association did

*Introduction
by Mr.
Sullivan*

*Presentation
of Portrait
by Mr. Sexton*

not ask for contributions from the members of the Bar generally to help defray the expense of the portrait, but asked for contributions from less than one per cent of the members of the Bar who were known to be friends of Governor Dunne. The response to our request for contributions, even in these days of depression, was so very spontaneous and generous that no further contributions were requested or needed.

A committee of the association selected an eminent Chicago artist, Mrs. Paul Godehn, the wife of a prominent member of the Chicago Bar, to execute the portrait. The association thought it fitting that a portrait of Edward F. Dunne should permanently embellish the wall of this Court, where he sat so long and with such a distinguished record, so that when the history of this Court is written the name of "Dunne" will appear side by side with the names of McAllister, Moran, Tuley and the other great Judges of this Court.

Judge Dunne has those fine qualities of heart and mind which made a good Judge into a great Judge. As a young man I had the privilege of practicing in his court room, and I think that the outstanding characteristic of Judge Dunne's judicial career, which likewise had a great part in his distinguished record since he left the Bench, was the peace, contentment and satisfaction in practicing law in his court room. He was always patient, courteous, kindly and considerate.

I take great pleasure in the fact that I have been selected by the Edward F. Dunne Portrait Association to move a resolution upon the occasion of this ceremony to present to the Circuit Court of Cook County a portrait of one of its beloved former Judges, the Honorable Edward F. Dunne.

The resolution, your Honor, is as follows:

"RESOLVED, That the high personal character and distinguished public career of Edward F. Dunne, including his services as Judge of the Circuit Court of Cook County during a period of thirteen years, have won in an unusual degree the affection, the esteem and the admiration of the members of the Bar whose privilege it has been to know him.

"An almost life-long resident of Illinois, he has been a member of the Bar of this city for about sixty years, serving as a Judge of the Circuit Court of Cook County from 1892 to 1905. His work here is enduringly written in the decisions of this tribunal.

"The citizens of Chicago and of Illinois signally manifested their confidence in him as well as their approval of his judicial services by electing him to the offices of Mayor of Chicago for the term of 1905 to 1907 and Governor of the State of Illinois from 1913 to 1917, both of which incumbencies he occupied with conspicuous distinction and eminent achievement. Finally, fittingly crowning a long career of useful public service, President Roosevelt appointed him, in his eightieth year, the Commissioner of the United States to A Century of Progress, the most notable enterprise of its kind in the history of civilization.

"With keen realization of the many merits of his personal character and of his long and unselfish devotion to the public welfare, we present with this resolution his portrait to be hung in the Circuit Court of Cook County, where he sat with such distinction and with so much credit to the Court. We ask your Honor that this portrait be accepted by the Court and that the resolution be spread upon the records of the Court."

Before unveiling this portrait, I think that the large assemblage here would be pleased to hear some messages from distinguished members of the Bar who were unable to be present:

The following letter, dated October 9, 1934, was received from United States Senator James Hamilton Lewis:

"I have your note regarding the meeting to do honor to Governor Dunne. Nothing but the severest pressure upon me would have prevented my presence and it is my great regret that I cannot lend myself to the occasion where I could have expressed my sense of gratitude and indebtedness for the very acquaintance and friendship of Edward F. Dunne.

"May I add it is a delight to express as a public servant of Illinois that the life of Edward F. Dunne as he lived it has been a model to patriots and an inspiration to hopeful aspiration of young lives in great Illinois.

"I have the honor to be, with regards to the assemblage,

Very sincerely,

JAMES HAMILTON LEWIS."

The Edward F. Dunne Portrait Association is in receipt of the following letter from Hon. Frank O. Lowden, Illinois World War Governor, who succeeded Governor Dunne as Governor of Illinois:

"I am extremely sorry not to be able to attend the ceremonies incident to the presentation of Governor Dunne's portrait to the Circuit Court of Cook County.

"I have known Governor Dunne for more than forty-nine years. When I first met him he was, like myself, a practicing lawyer and a member of the firm of Hynes & Dunne. I came in contact with him in the trial of cases. He was an able and courteous adversary. Later, when he was elevated to the Bench, it was my fortune to try a great number of cases in his Court. He was an upright and learned Judge with a fine sense of justice. With keen interest I followed his career as Mayor of Chicago and later as Governor of the State, in both of which great offices he bore himself well. No breath of scandal ever attached to his name. With a host of friends in all ranks

of life, and with serenity of soul, he has passed his eightieth year and still finds life full of zest.

“I wish I might have been present so that I might personally have said all this and more.

Sincerely yours,

FRANK O. LOWDEN.”

I am also in receipt of the following letter from the Honorable Carter H. Harrison, who has the proud distinction of being the only man in the history of Chicago to have been elected as its Mayor for five terms of office:

“It is a matter of sincere regret that I am unable to attend the presentation of the portrait of Honorable Edward F. Dunne to the Circuit Court of Cook County on October 13, 1934. However, I wish to join those friends who are more fortunate than I in an expression of high regard for Governor Dunne.

“While he and I, in the past, were at times opposing candidates for office, we have always retained a respect for each other that permitted a friendship of over forty years’ standing to continue.

“It was a happy thought, this placing of his portrait in the court room of the Court in which he served for so many years with credit to himself and with benefit to the community. It will be an inspiration to lawyers and litigants as exemplifying the opportunities that exist in America for those who possess, like Governor Dunne, ambition, courage, integrity and the will to do the right thing.

“I felicitate Governor Dunne on his eighty-first birthday, and wish him many, many more years of health, happiness and prosperity.

Sincerely yours,

CARTER H. HARRISON.”

A letter, dated October 11, 1934, was received from Honorable Philip L. Sullivan, who was for many years a Judge of the Circuit Court of Cook County, and who was recently honored by President Roosevelt by appointment to the important office of Judge of the United States District Court. This letter states:

"I deeply regret that I shall be unable to take advantage of the opportunity to participate in the ceremonies attending the presentation of Governor Dunne's portrait to the Circuit Court on October 13. However, I should like to express my high regard for Governor Dunne by stating that I doubt whether anywhere among the great public men of the City of Chicago and State of Illinois can there be found a man who is equally as human, considerate, and sympathetic as was Judge Dunne. In addition to these qualities, he has endeared himself to the hearts of the people of Chicago, Cook County, and Illinois by his irreproachable conduct in public office, the probity of his private life, and his courage to rightfully and painstakingly perform his duty at all times, regardless of political consequences. I share with him the thrill and the keen gratification he must derive from a knowledge of the fact that he is so well beloved.

"May I extend to Governor Dunne my congratulations on his eighty-first birthday, as well as my best wishes for many more years of health and happiness.

PHILIP L. SULLIVAN."

On October 13, 1934, the Edward F. Dunne Portrait Association received a letter from Honorable Edward J. Kelly, Mayor of Chicago, in which he states:

"Until a short time ago I had fully expected to be present at the ceremonies to be held this morning in the court room of Chief Justice Joseph Burke attendant upon the presentation of a portrait of the Honorable Edward F. Dunne to the Circuit Court of Cook County on the occasion of his eighty-first birthday. Only a most

important and unavoidable engagement could have prevented my being there. However, at this time such an unfortunate circumstance has occurred.

"I think it eminently fitting that a portrait of Judge Dunne should permanently embellish the walls of the Circuit Court of Cook County, as such portraits of him now adorn the walls of the office of the Mayor of Chicago and the office of the Governor of Illinois.

"Particularly do I regret my inability to be present and to say a few words because of the debt of gratitude I owe to former Governor Dunne, my great admiration for him, and our uninterrupted friendship of over thirty years' standing.

"As a Judge of the Circuit Court, as a fearless, conscientious, courteous, learned and great Judge, his record is too well known to need any comment from me.

"As Mayor of a great metropolitan city, Chicago, his name will go down in history side by side with the names of Mayor Harrison of Chicago, Mayor Johnson of Cleveland, Mayor Pingree of Detroit, Mayor Whitlock of Toledo and other truly progressive Mayors.

"As Governor of Illinois, his name will pass into history side by side with the names of Governor Oglesby and Governor Altgeld of Illinois, Governor Smith and Governor Roosevelt of New York, Governor Johnson of California, Governor LaFollette of Wisconsin and other forward-looking Governors.

"At all times throughout his entire public career Governor Dunne strove for the rights and welfare of the common man. His election to public office represented the hopes and aspirations of a people, and he never disappointed those who placed their faith in him.

"I wish him the fullest measure of future health, happiness and prosperity.

Very truly yours,

EDWARD J. KELLY."

I have a letter from the Honorable Richard Yates who served as Governor of Illinois from 1901 to 1905 and whom Governor Dunne appointed in 1913 as a member of the State Public Utilities Commission. This letter was sent from Springfield, Illinois and reads as follows:

“I sincerely regret my inability to attend the ceremonies attendant upon the presentation of a portrait of the Honorable Edward F. Dunne to the Circuit Court of Cook County on October 13, especially as I esteem it both an honor and a compliment to have been invited to join those friends who are more fortunate than I in being able to participate in the unveiling of Governor Dunne’s portrait.

“I desire at this time to extend to Governor Dunne my congratulations and felicitations on his eighty-first birthday. I wish him long life, prosperity, and happiness, and I am particularly gratified to have this occasion to express my sentiments toward him while we are both yet alive, for we have survived most of our contemporaries.

“What an honor it has been for Judge Dunne and for me to have been entrusted by the sovereign people of this great Commonwealth with the highest office within their power to confer, the Governorship of the State of Illinois! I feel that the characteristics of Judge Dunne which have most contributed to assure to him this affection of the people have been his supreme sportsmanship, and the courageous tranquillity and undisturbed serenity with which he has ever accepted victory or defeat, success or misadventure, as though the nobility of his spirit rendered him indifferent to the accidents of fate. In the words of the Admirable Creighton: ‘A true sportsman is a man who can endure success without elation and survive defeat without complaint.’

“It is my understanding that Judge Alschuler will also participate in the presentation ceremonies and I likewise desire to extend to him my most cordial greetings on this occasion for he was my opponent when I was a candidate for the Governorship of Illinois in 1900. I wish to congratulate him on the distinguished career which he has achieved since that time, particularly in his elevation to and his long service as a Judge of the United States Circuit Court of Appeals.

“On this the eighty-first birthday of my esteemed friend, Edward F. Dunne, I desire to tender him my heartfelt felicitations and to honor in his person one of the greatest Governors and most esteemed Judges who has ever served the State of Illinois.

Very truly yours,

RICHARD YATES.”



I have a telegram from His Excellency, Governor Henry Horner, addressed to Judge Dunne, which reads thus:

"Hearty congratulations on your eighty-first birthday and best wishes for an abundance of good health and happiness for many more years.

HENRY HORNER."

A telegram dated October 10, 1934, at Daytona Beach, Fla., from former United States Senator Lawrence Y. Sherman, is as follows:

"I cordially join with friends of Edward F. Dunne in portrait presentation for Saturday's exercises. I congratulate Governor Dunne in his distinguished public life and private achievements. I should have attended if health had permitted. May these words express my good will.

LAWRENCE Y. SHERMAN."

A letter of October 8, 1934, from his Honor, Norman L. Jones, Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of Illinois, states:

"It is with sincere regret that I am unable to attend the presentation of Governor Dunne's portrait to the Circuit Court of Cook County. The ceremony attending the presentation should, and no doubt will, be a fine expression of the high regard and esteem in which Governor Dunne is held by the people of Illinois. His stainless record and constructive acts have placed him among the foremost citizens of our State.

"I desire to present to him my compliments and to those who have assisted in this tribute of respect my commendation of their action.

Very truly yours,

NORMAN L. JONES."

On October 6, 1934 Honorable Joseph Sabath, Chief Justice of the Superior Court of Cook County, expressed his sentiments in this letter:

“I have your letter of the 27th in regard to the presentation of Honorable Edward F. Dunne’s portrait to the Circuit Court of Cook County on October 13.

“The honor conferred upon me to be present on this occasion and to say a few words is profoundly appreciated, but I regret to advise that I shall be in Indianapolis on that day. I have always had a high regard for Governor Dunne and will add my wishes to those of his many friends who will be present on that day: that he may have many more days on this earth so that the community and State may have the continued benefit of his ability and service.

“With best wishes and kind regards,

Sincerely yours,

JOSEPH SABATH.”

Hon. Albert Watson, who, as I recall, by appointment of Governor Dunne for a time was Associate Justice of the Supreme Court of Illinois, on October 10, 1934, sent his regrets from Mount Vernon, Illinois in the form of the following letter:

“It will not be possible for me to attend in Judge Burke’s court room on October 13 at the unveiling ceremony.

“I send to Governor Dunne through your courtesy my kindest regards, and especially do I wish for him many more years of usefulness and happiness.

“Certainly he deserves the honors and more to be accorded him at the ceremony.

Sincerely yours,

ALBERT WATSON.”

A telegram just received from Hon. Floyd E. Thompson, formerly Justice of the Supreme Court of Illinois and now one of the distinguished lawyers at this Bar, dated October 13, 1934, reads:

"Court engagement prevents my attending ceremony of presenting to Circuit Court of Cook County the portrait of Hon. Edward F. Dunne, who for many years graced our Bench. Sincerely regret my inability to be present and say a few words relative to the distinguished services of the man we honor. As Judge of our Circuit Court, Mayor of Chicago and Governor of Illinois, he stands out as a faithful public servant. The life of Governor Dunne has been an inspiration to his younger contemporaries, and Illinois is indeed fortunate that he is still vigorous and active in public affairs. Please extend to Governor Dunne my compliments and my best wishes for many more years of health and happiness.

FLOYD B. THOMPSON."

I am also in receipt of a letter from Hon. Edmund Burke of Springfield, Illinois, who was State's Attorney of Sangamon County while Edward F. Dunne was Governor of Illinois. He states:

"I regret sincerely that my engagements are such that it will not be possible for me to attend the unveiling of Governor Dunne's portrait to take place in the Circuit Court of Cook County on October 13, next.

"My estimate of Judge Dunne and his distinguished public service is well known, and I think it is eminently fitting that a portrait of him should hang in the Circuit Court of Cook County.

"People in Springfield for many generations have been accustomed to seeing Governors and their families come and go, but it has always been a source of pride and satisfaction to me that no other occupant of the Executive Mansion within my recollection has left us with

such wholesome and pleasant memories as have Governor Dunne and his wonderful wife and children.

"I wish to extend to him the assurance of my continued sincere personal regard and my best wishes for his future health and happiness.

Yours very truly,

EDMUND BURKE."

As an expression of his regard, on October 12, 1934, Hon. Wm. L. O'Connell, former Chairman of the Illinois Public Utilities Commission, sent the following telegram to former Governor Dunne:

"I am happy to be able to congratulate you on the passage of another year in your honorable, useful and patriotic career. I am particularly pleased to note that your worth and ability as an American citizen have been generally recognized by those who know you. I share with you the thrill that is yours in having your fellow citizens express their admiration and appreciation of those qualities of mind and heart that have so endeared you to the people. Every good wish for many happy birthdays.

W.M. L. O'CONNELL."

May it please the Court:

It now gives me great pleasure to unveil the portrait of Honorable Edward F. Dunne, a former Judge of this Court, and to present the portrait to the Circuit Court of Cook County.

THE COURT:

It is my privilege on behalf of the Circuit Court to order that the resolution which Corporation Counsel Sexton has read for the Edward F. Dunne Portrait Association be spread upon the records of the Circuit Court.

The proceedings today are participated in by lawyers and are entirely without relation to politics. Governor Dunne was always proud of the fact that he was and is a lawyer. He told me in Chambers a few minutes ago that he insisted that these proceedings be conducted by the members of the Bar without regard to political considerations.

We are honored today by having with us a distinguished and eminent lawyer who has the proud record of having been State's Attorney of this County, Governor of our State, and United States Senator. It is my pleasure to present to you Senator Charles S. Deneen.

HON. CHARLES S. DENEEN:

Mr. Chief Justice Burke, Governor Dunne, ladies and gentlemen:

I am pleased to have the opportunity to participate in the ceremonies incident to the unveiling of the portrait of Governor Dunne and in its dedication to the Bar. Not many of the lawyers remain who appeared before the Governor when he was Judge, and it will not be long before they will have passed on, but his services as a Judge will not be forgotten.

*Address
by Hon.
Charles S.
Deneen*

A Judge in our Trial Courts has few opportunities to leave behind him monuments of his labors. His work is of the highest use, but it is not sensational or spectacular. He does not create the facts or enact the law in the cases which come before him. He must see that the law is applied and that justice is done.

The result is that few Judges of our Trial Courts are remembered beyond a generation after they have retired from the Bench. It is not so of Governor Dunne. His work in other fields of public service will keep alive his record on the Bench and his characteristics as a Judge. Governor Dunne was well equipped for his work: unusual educational advantages, industry, alertness of mind, keen perception, ample experience in the preparation and the trial of cases in our Courts, an understanding that was disciplined and matured by wide contacts with men and their affairs, and an innate love of justice—these qualities and qualifications were the outstanding characteristics of Governor Dunne as a Judge.

His merits quickly won the esteem and confidence of the Bar and of the public. He became Mayor of our great city and Governor of our great State, in which he displayed in larger fields his talents and his high ideals of service to his fellow men.

Governor Dunne has become an historical figure in our city and in our State and will be held in high respect for generations to come. It must be a great satisfaction to him to witness the dedication of his own portrait to the Bar and to feel that those who will gaze upon his intelligent and kindly face in the days to come will recall the great services he had rendered in so many fields of public activities. With him today prospect must add pleasure to retrospect.

I wish to add my congratulations to him on his long and useful life, his health of body and mind, his freshness of spirit and his legion of friends. It is indeed a pleasure to join with others in extending to him all good wishes for health and happiness.

THE COURT:

Many of the speakers today have been associated in their public lives with Governor Dunne, either by contacts made at the Bar or because of association in public office, running on the same ticket or in opposition.

Today we are honored by an eminent and distinguished member of the Federal Bench who is a very close friend of our guest. It is my proud privilege to present to you the Honorable Samuel Alschuler, Judge of the United States Circuit Court of Appeals.

HON. SAMUEL ALSCHULER:

Mr. Chief Justice, Governor Dunne, and the rest of you, distinguished and undistinguished :

*Address
by Judge
Alschuler*

It is nigh unto twenty years since I practiced law in this Court, and I don't know but that I chose unwisely in withdrawing from the practice. However, with nearly three-quarters of a century behind me, I cannot now choose again.

It is a little unusual to be in Judge Dunne's presence and to call him anything but "Judge," notwithstanding the far higher places he has since attained.

On coming into this court room I was particularly gratified to see upon its wall the portrait of that great citizen of a bygone period, Judge Murray F. Tuley. While we of past middle age recall him as a most distinguished and able man and Judge, doubtless many of the younger members of the Bar scarcely know that such a man ever existed. Such is the tide of human affairs. I recall that it was largely through Judge Tuley's public solicitation that Judge Dunne, who had long held a seat upon the Circuit Bench, was induced to leave that career, in which his highly satisfactory service would doubtless have permitted him to remain as long as he might wish, for the

tempestuous, nerve-racking place of Mayor of Chicago, to be followed by the yet higher post of Governor of Illinois.

While it was this larger subsequent career of Judge Dunne which brought him wider and more lasting fame, I believe it was his judicial career which laid the deep and broad foundation for what was to follow. Even now there are many to whom Judge Dunne's career as a Judge is quite unknown, and the tendency is still further to forget such details in the lives of those who later achieve greater distinction.

We bring here this portrait in fond appreciation of Judge Dunne's long and distinguished service upon the Circuit Bench. It will commemorate for us, and for those who, in the succeeding generations, will come here, the outstanding judicial service of this conspicuous exemplar of the highest and best in public service in all of the capacities wherein he served—always service with a smile, service with a heart, service with a conscience.



THE COURT:

I am now pleased to present an able and conscientious Judge of the Circuit Court, Honorable Michael Feinberg.

HON. MICHAEL FEINBERG:

Mr. Chief Justice, Governor Dunne, distinguished guests and friends:

*Address
by Judge
Feinberg*

Each speaker, no doubt, could stand here and multiply the things that have been said and that can be said about Governor Dunne.

I claim a happy distinction that possibly no one else present can claim, for I believe that I was the youngest practitioner in Judge Dunne's court. At the age of fourteen I placed a motion on his motion book when I was employed by Myer Emrich. Governor Dunne's career on the Bench, I can truthfully say, had a decided influence upon my attitude and career in the practice of the law.

Men are great because of the noble things they do. There was no one on the Bench who was more noble than Judge Dunne, nor was there ever anyone who possessed to a greater degree the milk of human kindness which always tempered his justice. I can remember well many incidents that I witnessed in his Court which made a distinct impression upon my mind. My two ideals of the Bench in that day were Judge Tuley and Judge Dunne. I still retain the vivid impression made upon me when the Nestor of the Bench presided at that mass meeting in the Auditorium when Judge Dunne was a candidate for Mayor. I can well remember the words of Judge Tuley who, in a letter to the public, said: "My judgeship does not deprive me of my right of citizenship, and I feel I have the right to express as a citizen my view of the present situation." I refer to Judge Tuley's demand upon Judge

Dunne to become a candidate for Mayor. I think that Judge Tuley's gesture was a distinct compliment to Judge Dunne, inasmuch as it was the only occasion during his long career on the Bench on which he emerged from his retirement from politics to give public expression to his opinion.

Nevertheless, whatever we might say here today, whatever blessings we might wish for Judge Dunne, the greatest compliment, the greatest blessing that any man can be proud of is the blessing of four score years and one from the Master of the Universe. If he did not deserve it, our Master would not have spared him these many years.

Let us hope that he may pass the century mark.



THE COURT:

Sitting on this platform is a distinguished and courageous jurist of Illinois who is a very close friend of Governor Dunne, and it is my pleasure and privilege to present the Honorable Joseph B. David, Judge of the Superior Court of Cook County.

HON. JOSEPH B. DAVID:

Mr. Chief Justice, distinguished guests, my dear friend Governor Dunne, ladies and gentlemen:

*Address
by Judge
David*

When I look upon this audience I am conscious of the fact that I know the distinguished guest longer than any person here.

I have known Governor Deneen from the time he first came to Chicago, when he wore a battered plug hat and was around the Criminal Court looking for clients.

I have known Judge Alschuler now for over forty years, and have had the great distinction of serving with him as associate counsel in a celebrated case tried in 1889.

But I have known Governor Dunne, Judge Dunne, Mayor Dunne, Lawyer Dunne and Citizen Dunne longer than either of these distinguished gentlemen. We happened to live in the same section of the city, the old Twelfth Ward, the strongest Republican Ward in the City of Chicago, if not in the State of Illinois at that time, and I believe that probably we were the only two Democrats in the Ward. At any rate, it has been my pleasure to have known the Governor intimately and well for nearly fifty years. I appeared before him on many occasions, and I had the great honor last year of having the Judge appear before me. He has been an outstanding mark as a lawyer, as a Judge, as a Mayor and as a Governor. He has possessed that highest jewel of all jewels, the confidence of the people of this community in his integrity and his honesty.

I said that I had appeared before him on many occasions when he was a Judge. Likewise, I have appeared before the distinguished jurist whose portrait is to my right. I am pleased to say that his portrait hangs right over my desk, affording to me always an inspiration as to what a Judge should be and what a Judge ought to do. I refer to Judge Tuley. It is my recollection that Judge Dunne is now the only living Circuit Court Judge who was practicing law at the time I was admitted to the Bar—because he was not a Judge at the time I was admitted—and, therefore, he does not antedate me very many years, for on next March, if I live, I shall have been a member of the Bar of the State of Illinois for fifty years.

I am not going to extol in any fulsome flattery. History will recall what Judge Dunne has contributed to this community as a member of the Bar, as a citizen, as a Mayor and as a Governor, and now, in the evening of his life he has the love, the affection and the esteem of the entire community, and when his benign countenance shines and adds luster to this temple of justice, may it resound his views that justice should be administered as he administered it—charitably, justly and fearlessly.

I congratulate Governor Dunne.

THE COURT:

It is my pleasure at this time to call on a past President of the Chicago Bar Association, an eminent and well known lawyer, Mr. John D. Black.

MR. JOHN D. BLACK:

Judge Burke, Judge Dunne, ladies and gentlemen:

*Address
by
Mr. Black*

When I was a boy I lived in a very distinctly Republican community, and I never learned until my father brought me to the City of Chicago what real leaders we had in the Democratic Party. I do not propose by that statement to bring any note of politics into this entirely non-partisan and friendly gathering and occasion. I only say it to emphasize the fact that Governor Dunne, then Judge Dunne, and later Mayor Dunne, was one of the men to whom I could look with pride and admiration as a leader who was successful in molding the thought of his party and in leading his party where the men I had known all through my younger days had been unsuccessful; and for that reason I have always regarded him as a leader, as a standard bearer, and as a man of power. After I knew him more closely in a personal way than only knowing his name as a public man, I added to that feeling of admiration a feeling of affectionate regard which I hope he will permit me to continue to hold for him; and I am proud to make acknowledgment of it now.

*Address
by Judge
O'Connor*

THE COURT:

Here today are represented the courts of our State. To speak on behalf of the Appellate Court, we are proud and fortunate to have that distinguished jurist and scholar, our good friend, Mr. Justice John M. O'Connor.

HON. JOHN M. O'CONNOR:

Mr. Chief Justice, this is the first time I have ever had the privilege of serving on a jury, so I prefer to stay here if I may.

I am very happy to be here on this occasion, because I have known Judge Dunne for many years. It was my privilege to appear before him when I was starting in the practice of the law. I did not have the privilege of starting as soon as did Judge David, but I hope to keep on as long as he has.

I was never nervous in going into Judge Dunne's court room. I cannot say that with reference to some other Judges, because I regret to say that a few of them, I thought, were more or less arbitrary. But Judge Dunne was always pleasant; he invariably had a smile, was courteous, and had good common sense. Even when you lost a matter before him, well, you felt pretty good about it anyhow. Judge Dunne was a fine gentleman. When he was elected Mayor I did not know whether he knew me and, fearing that he did not and probably would not find out who I was, I managed to be introduced to him, with the hope of securing an appointment as an assistant to the Corporation Counsel. It was my privilege to serve under Major Tolman and his successor, Senator Lewis, for about a year.

In about a year I resigned and returned to private practice. Afterwards, when Judge Dunne was elected

Governor, I had the privilege of serving in the Senate, both under Senator Deneen when he was Governor and later under Governor Dunne. I was very fortunate in having the opportunity of serving under two great Governors of this State. I served one session under Governor Deneen and two or three special sessions, so that special sessions are nothing new. When Judge Dunne was Governor I also had the privilege of serving as Chairman of the Appropriations Committee of the Senate. I must say that I did not want to serve as Chairman of that Committee, because I thought I had too much other work to do, but at the request of the Governor I accepted the position, and in connection with that work I had the occasion to come in contact with Governor Dunne a great many times. His admonition to me, when he asked me to act as Chairman of that Committee, was to "sit on the lid" so as to keep the appropriations down. This work quite frequently necessitated my going into the Governor's mansion in the evening for advice regarding matters which came up before the Committee. In that way I got to know him quite intimately and the longer I knew him and the more often I met him, the more I liked him and the higher regard I had for him. He grows every time one meets him.

I have a picture of Judge Tuley in my Chambers and now I shall have to get one of Judge Dunne also.

I think it is a very nice thing for an association such as this to hang in our court rooms pictures of eminent Judges, and on this occasion I am very happy to be here, because I don't believe there is another man more worthy of having his picture hung in a court room than is Judge Dunne.

THE COURT:

As we know, the present Governor of Illinois is a former Judge. He made such a splendid record as a Judge of the Probate Court of Cook County that the people took him from that Court and elected him Governor of our State. He has been succeeded by a young man who had shown by his record as a Judge of the Municipal Court that he was well qualified to hold judicial office. The service that he has rendered to the people of this County as Judge of the Probate Court since taking the place of Governor Horner has shown that good judgment was used in selecting him. He is recognized by all as a worthy successor to Honorable Henry Horner.

I am pleased to present the Judge of the Probate Court of Cook County, the Honorable John F. O'Connell.

*Address
by Judge
O'Connell*

HON. JOHN F. O'CONNELL:

Mr. Chief Justice, Judge Dunne, ladies and gentlemen:

There is an old saying that "The good which men do lives after them," and the truth of that statement, of course, cannot be questioned.

It has always seemed to me an incongruous thing to delay the recognition of that good, as so frequently happens, until so late a day that the praise falls upon deaf ears. Naturally, any praise given at so late a time can give no pleasure to the dead recipient of it.

Today, however, we are gathered here to steal a march on time for the purpose of giving praise to one who is alive, present and able to appreciate what we have to say about him. Judge Dunne should derive a very keen gratification from a knowledge of the fact that he is so well beloved by all.

The Commonwealth of Illinois, the people of Cook County, and the people of Chicago have each elevated him to the highest honor, to the highest gifts within their disposal. It would be difficult for us to add to the honors that his distinguished career have brought to him. Great men preceded him as Judges of the Circuit Court, but we know that during his service in this tribunal, Judge Dunne yielded to none of them in the qualities that made them great. Indeed, he added luster to the splendid reputation that this Court has enjoyed for over a century of shining service to the community. I am sure that he has very pleasant recollections of his services here. Those who were associated with him in his work as Judge, the long procession of litigants who passed before him, and the members of the legal fraternity who practiced before him need no portrait to keep alive his memory. This splendid portrait is, however, a recognition of his outstanding work. It is a token of the esteem in which he is held by all of us who know him and who love him. As a lawyer, as a citizen and as Judge of the Probate Court, I am happy to take part in this ceremony of extending this well-deserved tribute to Judge Dunne.



THE COURT:

Early in the administration of Edward F. Dunne as Governor, a vacancy of less than one year arose in the Municipal Court, and Governor Dunne appointed to that vacancy a young man who was re-elected to the Municipal Court. Since 1922 this young man has presided with distinction over the County Court. His is an enviable record of devoted service, and I am proud to present Judge Edmund K. Jarecki of the County Court.

*Address
by Judge
Jarecki*

HON. EDMUND K. JARECKI:

Judge Burke, distinguished guests, ladies and gentlemen:

It was with considerable difficulty that I was able to locate Governor Dunne. All day yesterday and today I was in pursuit of him, but try as I might I could not catch up with him until finally I located him here. In spite of his age, he is very active and elusive.

Now that I have found him I, also, want to congratulate him on his birthday.

I am very glad to be here to say a few words in appreciation for what he has done for me in the way of appointing me Associate Judge of the Municipal Court and thereby starting me upon my judicial career. If my record on the Bench amounts to anything, as Judge Burke has so kindly said that it does, it is because I have tried at all times to emulate the example he set.

Governor Dunne, I wish you many, many more years of continued health and happiness.

THE COURT:

If my memory serves me well, the Municipal Court of Chicago began to function at the time Governor Dunne was Mayor of Chicago. The then first Chief Justice of that Court, and who presided as such for a period of twenty-four years, who shaped the policies of the Court and made it the great Court that it has become, is here with us today to honor Governor Dunne, and I am pleased to call upon that splendid citizen and jurist, the Honorable Harry Olson.

HON. HARRY OLSON:

Mr. Chief Justice Burke, Governor Dunne and members of the Bar:

*Address
by Judge
Olson*

It is a great pleasure for me to be here this morning on this occasion, because I practiced law before Judge Dunne when he was on the Bench. Besides, he has been my friend and neighbor for many years.

I notice upon the wall a portrait of the distinguished Judge Tuley, who was Judge Dunne's intimate friend when they were both on the Bench. The younger members of the Bar might not know it, but Judge Tuley was considered by Grover Cleveland for the office of Chief Justice of the United States, but for some reason Judge Fuller received the appointment.

Judge Tuley evidently foresaw the career that later opened to Judge Dunne. Judge Tuley regretted to see Judge Dunne resign from the Bench, but at that time there were great issues involved in the government of the city, and in a letter to the public Judge Tuley expressed the opinion that Judge Dunne ought to go into the field of politics. The salary of the Judge at that time was insufficient to compensate him for sacrificing his own interests in order to serve the public on the Bench. Judge Dunne

had a large family who had a claim upon him, and so he resigned to become a candidate for the Mayor of Chicago.

When I accepted the appointment as Assistant State's Attorney from State's Attorney Deneen, later Governor Deneen, the salary for that position was so small that I made a stipulation with Mr. Deneen that I should not be obliged to try cases before inexperienced Judges, as I realized that a part of my pay would be the result of the successful outcome of the trials which I should conduct. Though inexperienced myself, I realized that the ability, character and force of the Judge would have much to do with the outcome of any case I might try before him.

At that time Cook County was Republican, while the city was Democratic. Therefore, the Democratic Party, in order to win, was obliged to name its ablest lawyers as candidates for Judge in order to elect them. They generally would elect their candidates, so that men like Judge Tuley, Judge Adams, Judge Moran, Judge McAllister, Judge Frank Baker, Judge Dunne and men of that type graced the Bench.

I tried cases before Judge Dunne and for a period of three years also before Judge Tuley and Judge Baker. I received good training from these Jeffersonian Democrats. They always maintained the legal rights of the citizen against the Government and in my prosecutions I always kept in mind the necessity of treating defendants justly. This training also stood me in stead when I later became Chief Justice of the Municipal Court. There also I was associated with Democratic Judges, at one time having as many as twenty-three on the Municipal Bench.

Judge Dunne, while a law enforcer like Judge Tuley, was ever mindful of his duty to give a fair trial to anyone who came before him. I remember one case in which a pickpocket by the name of Sheehan was charged with murder com-

mitted in the presence of five other pickpockets. The murder occurred in a room in which there were seven pickpockets, one of whom was killed by another of those present at that time.

When I came to try the case, I could not understand why the defendant was indicted because all of the witnesses claimed they did not know who committed the deed. I conceived the idea of calling each of the five pickpockets to the witness stand and of asking each one to relate what he knew about the shooting. Each one testified that one of those present shot one of the others present, and each one denied that he had done so. That left it up to the defendant to take the witness stand to deny that he had done the shooting, as well as to deny the circumstances implicating him.

After I had called the five pickpockets, Judge Dunne called me in Chambers and asked me whether I thought I had made out a case. I told him that I had—not only beyond a reasonable doubt, but to a mathematical certainty—saying: “You cannot take this case from the jury. This case has been proved beyond a reasonable doubt.” Judge Dunne thought a moment and said, “I guess you are right.” Still he was not satisfied, and finally he said to me, “Can you and I be sure that those five pickpockets have each told the truth?” I told him that we could not depend upon them. Judge Dunne said, “This jury may convict and if they do we will have the defendant on our hands and not be sure he is guilty.” So the Judge took the case from the jury with the State’s consent.

When he was obliged to rule against you, Judge Dunne had a compassionate smile that made you feel that he at least commiserated your disappointment.

Judge Dunne, like Judge Tuley, was very kind to young lawyers. When a young lawyer cited a case on a principle

that was "hornbook law," he would carefully and patiently read the opinion so that the young lawyer's client could see that the Court was impressed.

Judge Dunne has held the offices of Mayor of the City of Chicago and Governor of the State of Illinois with great credit to himself, his city, and State, and now that he has arrived at eighty-one years of age, he has the love and respect of the community, and especially of the members of the Bar who have had the best opportunity to become acquainted with his qualities of mind and heart. It is pleasant at a time of party rancor to see the two great parties represented here this morning by two ex-Governors, each of whom formerly had and still retains, in all of his political struggles, the good opinion and respect of the other. If, in our country in times of distress, men of different parties co-operated for the good of the country, the country would be better off.

I am glad to be here, Judge Dunne, and wish you a long life of health and prosperity.



THE COURT:

Because of the lateness of the hour, we are bringing this happy occasion to a close. We shall soon have the pleasure of hearing from Governor Dunne.

Since 1910, here in Cook County, we have been fortunate in having the services continuously of a County Clerk who has at all times been a devoted and loyal servant of the people, and I am pleased at this time to call upon our good friend and County Clerk, Honorable Robert M. Sweitzer.

HON. ROBERT M. SWEITZER:

Mr. Chief Justice, distinguished guests, ladies and gentlemen:

*Address
by Hon.
Robert M.
Sweitzer*

It is difficult for me to determine just what is the reason for my appearing before this august body; nevertheless, I appreciate the honor and am delighted to be here.

I am not a lawyer—I have never had the pleasure of appearing before Judge Dunne either as an attorney or as a defendant, particularly in the Criminal Court—so my impressions have been formed not from experiences in the court room but by actual contact with the man. The impressions that I have had for many years, which have been affirmed later on and which undoubtedly have found an echo of response in the ears of each and every one of us, is his keen humanity on every conceivable occasion, and with that keen humanity there must be that inseparable companion which accompanies it on all occasions, namely, a sense of humor.

Judge Dunne always had a keen sense of humor and nowhere among the great public men of the City of Chicago can we find his peer as a humane, considerate, sympathetic, red-blooded man. That is the reaction that people of this community have always had toward Judge Dunne.

When I was quite a young man—I am not yet exactly in the four score class—at the time of a bitter political campaign, I can remember hearing on every hand: “Well, there is one thing certain about Judge Dunne, which is that there is no question but that he is an honest man.” A man who can build up that sort of impression and reputation in the minds and hearts of the people of the community is certainly worthwhile.

I know all of you have had occasion to know his humane interest in others, in the less fortunate, in the underprivileged, and in those who apparently are fighting along without help or friendships of any kind. Many times when it was necessary for him to employ what might have seemed hard judgment, that judgment was glossed over and made more tolerable by his sense of humor and the confidence of others that in his heart of hearts there was a desire to do everything he could to take the sting out of what was necessary for him to do in the strict performance of his duties; so, as a citizen of the great City of Chicago—and I am proud I was born here—I am happy to bring to this gathering a slight sense of the appreciation of this splendid man which exists in the community, and of the proud boast of the citizens of Chicago, particularly those who have lived here for many years, that they possess in Judge Dunne an honest man, a human man, a man who has a sense of humor, and a man who is everybody’s friend and can be relied upon at all times to stand up and do what he can for the less fortunate.

I am very happy to be here and to say just a word of deep appreciation on the splendid testimonial which has been afforded to this man, every word of which is coming from the hearts of the speakers.

THE COURT:

I now recognize the Hon. William H. Sexton, the distinguished Corporation Counsel of the City of Chicago and President of the Edward F. Dunne Portrait Association.

MR. SEXTON:

If the Court please, so that the chain of title to this portrait may be uncontested, I now move that your Honor, on behalf of the Circuit Court of Cook County, accept the portrait of Governor Edward F. Dunne.

CHIEF JUSTICE BURKE:

My dear Friends:

Edward F. Dunne was elected a Judge of the Circuit Court in 1892. Unfailing courtesy to lawyers and litigants alike, honorable conduct, knowledge of the law, courage to do the right and painstaking performance of duty endeared him to the hearts of the people of this County. It is sometimes said that one who holds a judicial office should not take part in the discussion of the political issues of the day. Judge Dunne, Judge Tuley and other great jurists took an active and incisive part in the issues of their day. The people of Chicago had confidence in Judge Dunne. They recognized him as a champion of the rights of the people and one upon whom they could rely to remain loyal and steadfast to his pledges.

In 1905 the traction franchises were about to expire and the forward-looking Democrats of Chicago asked Judge Dunne to become a candidate for Mayor. He did not seek that office; in fact, his ambition was to remain a Judge. He told me a little while ago in Chambers that on January 16, 1905, his friend and adviser, Judge Murray F. Tuley,

*Address
by Chief
Justice
Burke*

addressed an open letter to the people of Chicago in which he urged that Judge Dunne become a candidate for Mayor, and the first that he knew regarding that letter was when some newspaper men came out to his home on Beacon Street to ask him about it. He was shoveling coal into the furnace at that time, but he interrupted his chore to accord them an interview. The demand that he become a candidate grew steadily more insistent, and he was finally persuaded to accept the candidacy for Mayor on the Democratic ticket.

The issues of that day were municipal ownership and Judge Dunne was triumphantly elected.

During the two years he served as Mayor he remained loyal and true to the principles on which he stood on his platform. Because the people had confidence that he would never fail them when he had made a promise and that he would live up to his platform when he was elected, they chose him Governor of this great State in 1912. During the four years of his administration many of the progressive measures that have been put on the statute books within our memory were enacted, among them the Workmen's Compensation Act, the granting of the right of suffrage to women, the regulation of public utility corporations, and the inception of the deep waterway connecting Lake Michigan with the Gulf of Mexico.

More recently our Federal Government, recognizing the great service that he has rendered, has also added to these high honors by naming him to the important post of Commissioner of the United States to A Century of Progress.

We people of Illinois, looking over his record as a citizen, a father, a lawyer, a Judge, a Mayor, a Governor and a Commissioner, feel proud of that record and rejoice in exclaiming: "Well done, thou good and faithful servant!"

Today is a proud day for the Circuit Court. We are presented with an excellent portrait, executed by a talented

artist, of a Judge of our Court who has rendered distinguished service as citizen, Judge, Mayor, Governor and Commissioner of the United States to A Century of Progress.

In future years, when other generations come here or to any other building that may take the place of this court house and view this portrait, they will be inspired by the splendid record of service which has enshrined Judge Dunne in the hearts of the people as one of the illustrious sons of Illinois.

In behalf of the historic Circuit Court of Illinois, it is my proud privilege to accept this excellent portrait. I know that as future generations of citizens of this State gaze upon it and also upon the portrait of his dear old friend and associate, Judge Murray F. Tuley, they will be inspired with that same high devotion to the public service which has been the distinguishing characteristic of his life.

Today we greet you here not as Governor Dunne, but as our own Judge Dunne of the Circuit Court of Illinois.



HON. EDWARD F. DUNNE:

Chief Justice Burke, Governor Deneen, Judge Alschuler and friends:

I recognize, of course, by reason of the fact that I was on the Bench for a number of years, that we are sitting in open court. Therefore, I address the presiding Judge as "your Honor." I should love to have addressed the Court as "your Honor, ladies and gentlemen of the jury," but, your Honor, the jury is packed, judging from what I have heard already from the lips of some of those friends of mine, and I am afraid that I should be imposing upon the Court were I to ask your leave to address that jury.

Forty-two years ago, my friends, by reason of the friendship of a few ardent friends, most of whom have already gone to their God, I was nominated Judge of this Court. Before the convention I knew nothing of it, but, by reason of the great friendship of two or three friends, among them Judge Prendergast, now in his grave, I found that I was running for Judge of the Circuit Court. That is all I knew about it because I lived out in the country.

Thirteen years afterwards, by reason of the friendship of that most respected Nestor of the Bench, Judge Tuley, I left the Circuit Court to embark upon the stormy sea of politics; and though it is now twenty-nine years since I left the Bench and the Judges whom I respected and regarded so highly, yet I find that again by reason of friendship this gathering has assembled to honor me today.

I believe that I am the only man still living who sat on the Circuit Bench when it was presided over by my distinguished friend, Judge Tuley, and sometimes I feel like Tom Moore when he said:

“When I remember all the friends, so linked together,
I’ve seen around me fall, like leaves in wintry weather,
I feel like one who treads alone
Some banquet-hall deserted,
Whose lights are fled, whose garlands dead,
And all but he departed!”

*Response
by Hon.
Edward F.
Dunne*

But while all my contemporaries who would now be in the eighties are gone, I still find around me those men whom I respected and loved and admired as lawyers and fellow laborers in the profession, such as Charles S. Deneen and Joseph B. David, who were my friends when I was a young struggling lawyer. Why, I remember that Joe and I lived in the same part of the city and that we were both out for clients—both of us. We were glad to get a ten-dollar fee those days, and I put on a Prince Albert coat and a Derby hat because I thought that they added more dignity to my person. The next time I saw Joe he too had a Derby hat and Prince Albert coat. Soon afterward I saw him again. This time he had on a Prince Albert coat and a silk hat. You know, I think he wore that silk hat until he was elected to the Bench.

This is a great honor—it is an unusual honor. I thank my Creator for the fact that I have led a very happy life. He gave me one good trait of character. If He didn’t give me more than the average of good brains, He gave me the faculty of making good friends. He gave me, moreover, an amiable and beautiful wife and a numerous family of thirteen children, nine of whom are still living, as well as twenty-three grandchildren. He gave me such friends as Senator Lewis, William L. O’Connell, Charles S. Deneen, Corporation Counsel Sexton, Judge Alschuler, Judge John J. Sullivan, Alderman Oscar F. Nelson, William L. Sullivan, my former Secretary, Judge David and many others,

among them Judge Jarecki who, when I needed employment, was friend enough to see that I got it. Franklin D. Roosevelt, our great humanitarian President, was also my friend. When he thought I needed a little honor in my old days, he, unsolicited by me, but doubtless in response to the appeals of other friends of mine, without my knowledge, accorded me the distinguished honor that I now hold, that of the Commissioner of the United States to A Century of Progress; for you know, my friends, when I was Circuit Judge I only represented a section of the State; when I was Mayor I represented a great city; when I was Governor I represented a great State, but until last year I never represented a Nation. I now represent a great Nation by reason of the fact that I have had the faculty of making warm, sturdy friends. Many of those friends are here now.

Members of the Bench and Bar, I wish to say I am delighted that, in according me the honor of presenting my portrait to the Circuit Court, you have confined your labors to members of the Bar and to members of the Bar without reference to politics. Why, you know, Senator Deneen and I had our political fight and Governor Lowden and I had our political fight, but we always retained our personal friendships, nevertheless. I respected and spoke favorably of them, and they, in turn, respected and spoke favorably of me. I kept all of those friendships. That is a tribute of which a man may well be proud. I am built like other men, and being built like other men I cannot but feel grateful for the fine expression of friendship from you, my old friends who are still living. You have accorded me this exceptional tribute of friendship and have given me a chance to thank you. I wish, through Chief Justice Burke, to particularly thank the Judges of this Court who have been so kind on this occasion and who have been so friendly to the Edward F. Dunne Portrait Association. My friends, I want to thank you from my heart for this most extraordinary and highly appreciated honor.

THE COURT:

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Adjourns*

This is a memorable occasion, and it is my pleasure to direct that the proceedings of this day be transcribed and spread upon the records of the Circuit Court.

The court will now adjourn.

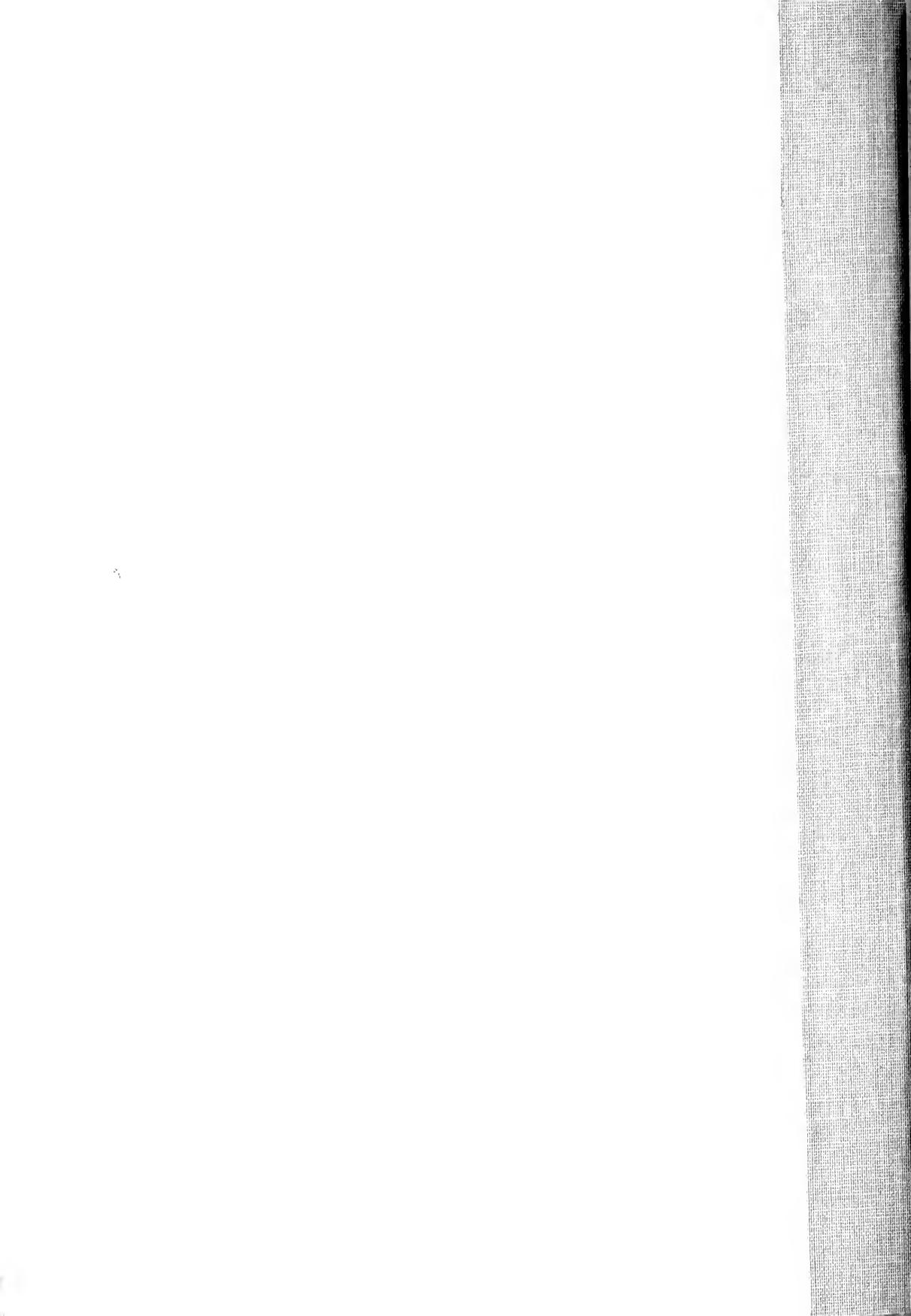


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